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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER</b> <b>4385-051182</b> U.S. APPLICATION NO.: If known, see 37 CFR 1.5 <b>107539789</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2003/014454	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 18.12.2003 (December 18, 2003)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 19.12.2002 (December 19, 2002)
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b> Direct Synthesis Method for the Production of Etherified Melamine Resin Condensates, Melamine Resin Condensates, and Use.....		
<b>APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US</b> Steffen PFEIFFER, Manfred RATZSCH, Hartmut BUCKA and Gunter TAPPEINER		
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<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b> <p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Form/PCT/IB/306</p>		

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The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee.....				\$ 300	
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... All other situations.....				\$ 100 \$ 200	
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority..... International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office..... All other situations.....				\$ 400.00	
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Independent claims		1	- 3 = 0	x \$200	\$ 0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$360	\$ 0.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.				0.00	
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Title : **DIRECT SYNTHESIS METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ETHERIFIED MELAMINE RESIN CONDENSATES, MELAMINE RESIN CONDENSATES, AND USE THEREOF**  
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Enclosed are appropriate papers for initiating the national phase of the above-identified PCT application, comprising a specification and claims. A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.

Please accept the application for purposes of granting a filing date and recognize, Richard L. Byrne, Russell D. Orkin and Paul M. Reznick, Registration Nos. 28,498, 25,363 and 33,059, respectively, as attorneys in this application, pending the filing of a formal Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Kindly direct all communications relating to this application to **Richard L. Byrne**.

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**WO 2004/056900 - FRONT PAGE with ABSTRACT and SEARCH REPORT (3 pp.)  
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